

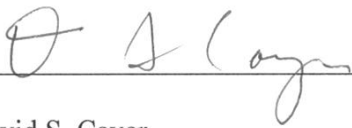
“Because the right to choose counsel is not absolute, it necessarily follows that a defendant does not have an absolute right to substitution of counsel. As a general rule, a

defendant must show good cause in requesting a new appointed lawyer.” United States v. Mullen, 32 F.3d 891, 895 (4th Cir. 1994). Here, Defendant’s complaints do not demonstrate good cause for the Court to appoint new counsel. Based upon the foregoing, the Court finds no basis to remove Mr. Fischer as appointed counsel. Defendant’s pro se request for new counsel is DENIED.

The Clerk is directed to send copies of this Order to counsel for the parties, including but not limited to moving counsel; and to the Honorable Richard L. Voorhees.

SO ORDERED.

Signed: December 2, 2014



David S. Cayer
United States Magistrate Judge

